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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents BOX NON FEE AMENDMENT Washington, D.C. 20231

## Dear Assistant Commissioner:

The following is a preliminary amendment of the above identified application which is a Rule 1.53(b) continuation application of parent Application Serial No. 09/353,895 filed July 15, 1999 entitled "SUBCHANNEL CONTROL LOOP." Please amend the above identified application as follows:

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